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Attached is a new proposal (H.R. 7781) to amend the National Security Act by Congressman Charles Bennett (D., Fla.), who is a member of Nedzi's Subcommittee. The bill has some familiar ideas, such as adding the word "foreign" in several spots in section 102(d), but also has some novel ideas in sections 4, 5, 6, and 9 of the bill. We have not yet been asked for comments, but a request is no doubt forthcoming.

Also attached is H. Res. 536, one of four identical resolutions of inquiry introduced by Congressman Harrington regarding the Mayaguez affair. Sections 6 and 7 of the resolution relate to intelligence activities about the time of the seizure. We have been in touch with the State Department, which is responding for the Administration.

George L. Cary
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1ST SESSION

H. RES. 536

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 12, 1975

Mr. HARRINGTON (for himself, Ms. ABZUG, Mr. BEDELL, Mr. BINGHAM, Mr. BRODHEAD, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. JOHN L. BURTON, Mr. CARR, Mrs. CHISHOLM, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. DOWNEY of New York, Mr. DRINAN, Mr. EILBERG, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HECHLER of West Virginia, Ms. HOLTZMAN, Mr. MIKVA, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MITCHELL of Maryland, Mr. MOFFETT, Mr. MOSS, Mr. OTTINGER, and Mr. PATTISON of New York) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of State is hereby directed
- 2 to furnish to the House of Representatives, within ten days
- 3 of the adoption of this resolution, the following information:
- 4 1. What specific diplomatic initiatives and communica-
- 5 tions were carried out by the United States in response to
- 6 Cambodia's seizure of the United States merchant ship
- 7 Mayaguez and its crew?
- 8 2. What diplomatic responses and initiatives are known
- 9 to have been carried out by Cambodia and other parties,
- 10 including the United Nations, with respect to the seizure of

1 the Mayaguez and its crew and subsequent efforts to release
2 them?

3 3. What specific diplomatic options were considered
4 and rejected by the National Security Council in seeking the
5 release of the Mayaguez and its crew?

6 4. What orders, if any, had been issued to the United
7 States Armed Forces with respect to the Mayaguez incident
8 before the Secretary General of the United Nations was
9 asked to give diplomatic assistance?

10 5. If known, what was the exact position and course of
11 the Mayaguez when it was seized in relation to the island
12 Poulo Wai, which is claimed by both Cambodia and South
13 Vietnam?

14 6. What United States intelligence gathering activities,
15 if any, were conducted in or over or from off the shores of
16 Cambodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in
17 April 1975, and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were
18 any such activities known to have been detected or termi-
19 nated by Cambodia?

20 7. What covert actions, if any, were undertaken by the
21 United States, either directly or indirectly, to disrupt,
22 destabilize, or otherwise interfere in the internal affairs of
23 Cambodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in April
24 1975, and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were any
25 such actions known to have been detected or terminated by

1 Cambodia? If so, and if known, in what manner were they
2 detected or terminated?

3 8. What communications have occurred to date between
4 the United States and Thailand regarding the use of Thai
5 territory in conjunction with the United States military
6 action to secure the release of the Mayaguez and its crew?

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H. RES. 536

RESOLUTION

Directing the Secretary of State to furnish to the House of Representatives, within ten days of the adoption of this resolution, information concerning the seizure of the United States merchant ship Mayaguez and its crew, and subsequent diplomatic efforts to release them.

By Mr. HARRINGTON, Ms. AVERG, Mr. BEDELL,
Mr. BINGHAM, Mr. BRODHEAD, Mr. BROWN of
California, Mr. JOHN L. BURTON, Mr. CARR,
Mrs. CHRISTOLM, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DELLMUS,
Mr. DOWNEY of New York, Mr. DRUXAN,
Mr. ELLBERG, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HENDER of
West Virginia, Ms. HOLTZMAN, Mr. MIKVA,
Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MITCHELL of
Maryland, Mr. MOFFETT, Mr. MOSS, Mr.
OTTINGER, and Mr. PATTON of New York

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 12, 1975

Mr. HARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. BADILLO, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RIEGLE, Mr. ROSENTHAL, Mr. ROYBAL, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. STARK, Mr. STUDDS, Mr. CHARLES H. WILSON of California, and Mr. YOUNG of Georgia) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

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4 1. What specific diplomatic initiatives and communica-
5 tions were carried out by the United States in response to
6 Cambodia's seizure of the United States merchant ship
7 Mayaguez and its crew?

8 2. What diplomatic responses and initiatives are known
9 to have been carried out by Cambodia and other parties,
10 including the United Nations, with respect to the seizure of
11 the Mayaguez and its crew and subsequent efforts to release
12 them?

1 3. What specific diplomatic options were considered and
2 rejected by the National Security Council in seeking the
3 release of the Mayaguez and its crew?

4 4. What orders, if any, had been issued to the United
5 States Armed Forces with respect to the Mayaguez incident
6 before the Secretary General of the United Nations was
7 asked to give diplomatic assistance?

8 5. If known, what was the exact position and course
9 of the Mayaguez when it was seized in relation to the island
10 Poulo Wai, which is claimed by both Cambodia and South
11 Vietnam?

12 6. What United States intelligence gathering activities,
13 if any, were conducted in or over or from off the shores of
14 Cambodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in April
15 1975 and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were any
16 such activities known to have been detected or terminated
17 by Cambodia?

18 7. What covert actions, if any, were undertaken by the
19 United States, either directly or indirectly, to disrupt, de-
20 stabilize, or otherwise interfere in the internal affairs of
21 Cambodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in April
22 1975 and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were any
23 such actions known to have been detected or terminated by
24 Cambodia? If so, and if known, in what manner were they
25 detected or terminated?

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- 1 8. What communications have occurred to date between
2 the United States and Thailand regarding the use of Thai
3 territory in conjunction with the United States military ac-
4 tion to secure the release of the Mayaguez and its crew?

H. R. 231

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That the Senate do pass the following resolution, to wit: That the United States Government should request the Thai Government to release the Mayaguez and its crew.

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By Mr. HARRINGTON, Mr. BADILLO, Mr. RANGEL,
Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RIEGLE, Mr. ROSENTHAL,
Mr. ROYBAL, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. STARK,
Mr. STUBBS, Mr. CHARLES H. WILSON of
California, and Mr. YOUNG of Georgia

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H. RES. 529

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 11, 1975

Mr. HARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. JOHN L. BURTON, Mr. CARR, Mr. BEDELL, Mr. BRODHEAD, Mr. BROWN of California, Mrs. CHISHOLM, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. DOWNEY of New York, Mr. DRINAN, Mr. HECHLER of West Virginia, Ms. HOLTZMAN, Mrs. MEYNER, Mr. MIKVA, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MITCHELL of Maryland, Mr. MOFFETT, Mr. MOSS, Mr. OTTINGER, Mr. PATTISON of New York, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RIEGLE, and Mr. ROYBAL) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved*, That the President is hereby directed to fur-
2 nish to the House of Representatives, within ten days of the
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4 1. What was the exact sequence of communications,
5 meetings, consultations, diplomatic initiatives, and military
6 actions carried out by the United States in response to Cam-
7 bodia's seizure of the United States merchant ship Mayaguez
8 and its crew? What communications, diplomatic responses
9 and initiatives, and military actions are known to have been
10 carried out by Cambodia and other parties with respect to

1 the seizure of the Mayaguez and its crew and subsequent
2 efforts to release them?

3 2. What specific diplomatic options were considered by
4 the National Security Council in seeking the release of the
5 Mayaguez and its crew?

6 3. What specific military options were considered by the
7 National Security Council in seeking the release of the
8 Mayaguez and its crew?

9 4. What consultations were carried out between the
10 President and the Congress, pursuant to section 3 of the
11 War Powers Resolution, prior to the deployment of United
12 States Armed Forces to secure the release of the Mayaguez
13 and its crew?

14 5. What orders, if any, had been issued to the United
15 States Armed Forces with respect to the Mayaguez incident
16 before the Secretary General of the United Nations was
17 asked to give diplomatic assistance?

18 6. What was the nature and source of information
19 regarding the location of the Mayaguez crew which was
20 available to the President immediately prior to the deploy-
21 ment of United States ground troops on Koh Tang Island?

22 7. Were United States air strikes carried out against
23 targets on the Cambodian mainland after the Mayaguez crew
24 had been released?

25 8. If known, what was the exact position and course of

1 the Mayaguez when it was seized in relation to the island
2 Poulo Wai?

3 9. What United States intelligence gathering activities,
4 if any, were conducted in or over or from off the shores of
5 Cambodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in
6 April 1975, and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were
7 any such activities known to have been detected or termi-
8 nated by Cambodia? How did the United States acquire a
9 photograph of Koh Tang Island dated April 17, 1975,
10 which was displayed at a Defense Department briefing dur-
11 ing the Mayaguez incident?

12 10. What covert actions, if any, were undertaken by the
13 United States, either directly or indirectly, to disrupt, desta-
14 bilize, or otherwise interfere in the internal affairs of Cam-
15 bodia subsequent to the Khmer Rouge takeover in April
16 1975, and prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez? Were any
17 such actions known to have been detected or terminated by
18 Cambodia? If so and if known, in what manner were they
19 detected or terminated?

20 11. What warning, if any, was issued to the United
21 States merchant marine prior to the seizure of the Mayaguez
22 regarding Cambodia's interception and harassment of vessels
23 traveling near its shores, including Cambodia's attack on a
24 South Korean freighter on May 4, 1975, and its detaining
25 of a Panamanian ship on May 7, 1975?

1 12. Under the authority of what law superceding the
2 statutory prohibitions against United States combat activity in
3 or over or from off the shores of Cambodia were United States
4 Armed Forces used to secure the release of the Mayaguez
5 and its crew?

6 13. What communications have occurred to date be-
7 tween the United States and Thailand regarding the use of
8 Thai territory in conjunction with the United States military
9 action to secure the release of the Mayaguez and its crew?

10 14. What steps were taken to insure the accuracy of the
11 various announced casualty figures relating to the Mayaguez
12 rescue operation?

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JUNE 11, 1975

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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2 the National Security Council in seeking the release of the
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BERG, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. STARK, Mr.
CHARLES H. WILSON of California, and Mr.
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